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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
OFFICERS
OF THE
Town of Ashland, N. H.

YEAR ENDING
January 31, 1926

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TOWN OFFICERS

Clerk—Philip E. Gammons

Treasurer—Charles H. Pattee

Selectmen—John H. Blanchard, Albert E. Burt, Ross P. Sanborn

Tax Collector—Edward P. Colby

Overseer of the Poor—Don Simons

Janitor of Town Hall—George E. Dow

Highway Agent—Rufus Blake

Police—George E. Dow, Purvis Berry, Harold Furber

Fire Wards—George F. Plummer, Frank H. Chick, Percy R. Lewis

Superintendent of Water Works—Edgar W. Sanborn

Superintendent of Fire Alarm—John Gordon

Auditors—Ellis G. Gammons, Arthur H. Smith, Erville J. Batchelder

Library Trustees—Lula M. Morrison, F. Anna Whipple, Amy J. Dolloff

Town Trustees—Willis F. Hardy, Charles H. Pattee, James F. Huckins

Supervisors—F. M. Merrow, Ross P. Sanborn, Edward Colby, Arthur H. Smith

Moderator—John E. Morrison

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Ashland in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Ashland on Tuesday, the ninth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation for same.

3. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Police Department.

4. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Fire Department, including the services of the Firemen.

5. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the laying out, building and repairing of highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

6. To see if the town will vote to improve the Seven Pines Road and raise and appropriate money for the same.

7. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repair of the concrete streets and sidewalks.

8. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the increase and support of the Town Library.

9. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the District Nurse Association.

10. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the expenses of the town poor.

11. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the observance of Memorial Day.

12. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of continuing the control of the White Pine Blister Rust.

13. To see if the town will vote to construct and maintain a sewer to run from near the tenement of

Mrs. A. W. Harriman on Depot Street, and to follow along the general line of the small brook which now drains that region to the Squam River near the barn now owned by Fred E. Currier on Glove Street. Raise and appropriate money for same.

14. To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay on the town debt.

15. To see if the town will vote to provide additional equipment and apparatus for the Fire Department and raise and appropriate money for the same.

16. To see if the town will vote to buy a Tractor and Snow Plow and raise and appropriate money for the same.

17. To see if the town will vote to install a street light in front of John Ernest's house on Depot Street and extend the light line on Collins Street to provide a light near the bridge on Squam River near Elmer Goud's house.

18. To see what the town will do in regard to bill for shooting horse of John Ernest at the time Chief of Police Dow was shot Nov. 9, 1925.

19. To see if the town will vote to indemnify George E. Dow for time lost resulting from injuries received Nov. 9, 1925, while on duty as Police Officer of the town of Ashland.

20. To see what action the town will take in regard to selling the Electric Light Plant, Saw Mill, Water Privilege, Land, Transmission Lines and Equipment.

21. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of aiding the Emily Balch and Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hospital.

22. To see if the town will vote to make a test case of the way the valuation of some property was raised in 1925 and raise and appropriate money for the same, and elect a committee of three at this time to handle the same.

23. To see what action the town will take in regard to the land at the junction of Main, Highland, and River Streets, also on the side of River Street at the Mill Pond and the land on both sides of the bridge at the foot of Little Squam Lake.

24. To see what action the town will take in regard to officers that do not do what the town votes to do at the annual town meeting.

BUDGET

The following items are estimates of the amounts that the town will receive this coming year and the amounts that will be raised and appropriated by the town for the same term.

Estimated Revenues for 1926

From the State of New Hampshire

Insurance tax	\$36.00
Railroad tax	300.00
Savings Bank tax	2,600.00
Interest and dividend tax	400.00
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	\$3,360.00

From Local Sources

Licenses and permits	\$200.00
Water rents	2,500.00
Poll taxes	1,650.00
Automobile tax permits	2,000.00
Scales	50.00
Electric light department	4,000.00
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	\$10,400.00

Total receipts	\$13,736.00
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If this estimated revenue is kept for the payment of interest, town debt and any unforeseen expenses the following estimated appropriations may be raised by an approximate rate of \$2.32. Each thousand dollars more or less will vary the above estimated rate of about two cents.

Estimated Appropriations for 1926

Town charges	\$2,000.00
Police department	1,500.00
Fire department	2,500.00
Town Library	400.00
District Nurse Association	1,000.00
Town Poor	500.00
Memorial Day	120.00
Highways	
State aid	\$150.00
Trunk line	4,000.00
Permanent improvement fund	1,575.00
Town roads	4,000.00
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State tax	\$9,725.00
County tax	4,260.00
Schools	3,700.88
Town debt	20,000.00
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Total	\$48,691.88

BALANCE SHEET

January 31, 1926

Assets

Cash in hands of treasurer	\$4,041.38
Highway balance in state treasury	36.95
Bounties due from state	6.80
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Total assets	\$4,084.13
Excess of liabilities over assets, net debt	72,039.31
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Total	\$76,123.44

Liabilities

Unexpended appropriations	
Flag appropriation	\$125.00
Playground fund	225.64
Sidewalk balance	74.76
Town poor	71.43
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Dog licenses due school districts	304.72
Unexpended highway balance in state treasury	35.95
Unexpended highway balance in town treasury	35.94
Long term notes outstanding	75,250.00
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	\$496.83
	304.72
	35.95
	35.94
	75,250.00
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	\$76,123.44
Net debt January 31, 1925	\$85,106.63
Net debt January 31, 1926	72,039.31
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Decrease of debt	\$13,067.32

Schedule of Town Property

Town hall, land and building	\$5,000.00
Furniture and equipment	100.00
Library furniture and equipment	2,500.00
Police department equipment	15.00
Fire department, land and building	5,000.00
Equipment	2,000.00
Highway department equipment	400.00
Playground	500.00
Water works	50,000.00
Schools, land and buildings	50,000.00
Equipment	5,000.00
Electric light plant and electric equipment	50,000.00
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	\$170,515.00

INVENTORY

Real estate	\$1,291,548.00
132 horses	17,938.00
4 mules	550.00
2 oxen	150.00
189 cows	13,940.00
11 neat stock	555.00
25 sheep	247.00
3 hogs	55.00
2,085 fowls	2,955.00
21 fur-bearing animals	3,465.00
20 vehicles	1,750.00
2 portable mills	250.00
21 boats	4,300.00
Wood and lumber	14,871.00
Stock in trade	364,350.00
Mills and machinery	374,275.00
15 gasoline pumps and tanks	4,500.00

Valuation by Districts

Valuation by Districts		
District No. 1		\$1,855,953.00
District No. 2		239,746.00
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Total		\$2,095,699.00
Tax rate in District No. 1,	\$2.56	
Tax rate in District No. 2,	2.37	

Appropriations 1925

Town charges	\$2,000.00
Police department	500.00
Fire department	1,700.00
State aid maintenance	150.00
Trunk line maintenance and reconstruction	4,000.00
Permanent improvement fund	1,622.00
Town roads	4,000.00
Concrete streets and sidewalks	500.00
Town library	400.00

District Nurse Association	1,000.00
Town poor	500.00
Memorial Day	120.00
Fire alarm boxes	500.00
Town debt	5,000.00
Flooding play grounds	100.00
State tax	4,260.00
County tax	3,700.88
Town school district	1,948.97
Ashland special school district	20,295.63
	\$52,124.51
Overlay	1,045.62
Total property tax assessed	\$53,170.13

Settlement with Edward P. Colby, Tax Collector

Property tax committed to collector	\$53,170.13
Polls committed to collector	2,511.00
	\$55,681.13
Total committed to collector	\$55,681.13
Added polls by collector	75.00
Interest	30.59
National bank stock taxes	20.67
	\$55,807.39
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Treasurer's receipts	\$54,261.63
Discounts	1,241.86
Abatements	138.00
Error in figuring tax	156.90
	\$55,807.39
Total	\$55,807.39

REPORT OF TREASURER

Receipts

Cash on hand from last year	\$3,304.77
From	
Tax collector	54,261.63
Supt. water works	2,973.97
M. T. Shepard, electric lights	16,317.46
Town clerk, auto tax	3,032.93
Town clerk, dog licenses	331.72
E. G. Gammons, police court	89.70
Selectmen, state highways	3,555.72
Selectmen, sundry accounts	1,228.62
Ashland Savings Bank, short term notes	4,000.00
Eunice A. Peaslee, on note	800.00
Tax from state of N. H.	2,810.91
Tax on dividends	389.85
Ashland Savings Bank, interest retd.	157.77
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	\$93,855.05

Payments

Selectmen's town orders	\$57,367.80
Selectmen's electric light orders	12,937.76
Ashland Savings Bank, short term notes	4,000.00
Ashland Savings Bank, note	8,000.00
J. Frank Perkins, note	1,100.00
Eunice A. Peaslee, note	1,000.00
Olive J. Craige estate, note	800.00
Mary J. Horrigan, note	700.00
Ashland Savings Bank, interest	1,452.22
J. Frank Perkins, interest	322.00
Eunice A. Peaslee, interest	61.11
H. J. Merrill, interest	60.00
Susie Deane, interest	80.00
Martha Heath, interest	80.00
Emma H. Scribner, interest	100.00
Jennie F. Harrington, interest	64.00
Minnie L. Smith, interest	616.00
John H. Blanchard, interest	60.00
M. C. Blake, interest	220.00
Daniel C. Hill, interest	140.00
Geo. F. Plummer, interest	80.00
Nellie F. Plummer, interest	24.00
Mary J. Horrigan, interest	160.78
Margaret M. Horrigan	180.00
Jessie A. Thompson	160.00
Olive J. Claig estate	24.00
Mable N. Campbell	12.00
Henry C. Dearborn	12.00
Cash on hand Jan. 30, 1926	4,041.38
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	\$93,855.05

CHARLES H. PATTEE, Treasurer.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Year Ending January 31, 1926

From

Electric department	\$17,360.88
Tax collector	54,261.63
Motor vehicle taxes	3,032.93
Dog licenses	331.72
Licenses and permits	241.00
Fires	167.38
Water rents	2,973.97
State of New Hampshire	6,853.40
Town of Bridgewater	79.75
Fines, municipal court	89.70
Town scales	48.55
Interest returned	157.77
Rent of Town Hall	80.66
Town notes	4,800.00
Damages to silent policeman	11.65
Kelley Concrete Co.	26.00
Compensation, Herbert Heath	9.00
Rent of tomb	4.00
O. A. Brown, highway bill overpaid	9.28
Berger Culvert Co.	1.01
Sale of Enoch Archer goods	10.00
Total receipts	\$90,550.28
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1925	3,304.77
Total	\$93,855.05

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Year Ending January 31, 1926

Town officers' salaries	\$1,509.50
Town officers, expenses	898.43
Elections and registrations	38.25
Municipal court	150.00
Town buildings and clock	665.11
Police department	1,149.48
Fire department and alarm	3,407.05
George E. Dow, hospital expenses	429.05
Bounties	7.20
Damages by dogs	27.00
Health department	52.50
Vital statistics	19.30
State aid	546.88
Trunk line	10,237.49
Sidewalks	1,920.14
Town roads	3,916.63
Library	400.00
Town poor	428.57
District Nurse Association	1,000.00
Memorial Day	120.00
Playground	152.61
Town dump	5.00
Auto tax refunded	21.50
State tax	4,260.00
County tax	3,700.88
Special school district	20,328.46
Town school district	1,976.77
Interest on notes	3,908.11
Town notes	15,600.00
Electric light department bills	12,937.76
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Total payments	\$89,813.67
Cash on hand January 31, 1926	4,041.38
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Total	\$93,855.05

DETAIL STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Year Ending January 31, 1926

From Tax Collector

Property and poll taxes	\$54,210.37
National bank stock tax	20.67
Interest	30.59
	<hr/> \$54,261.63

From Town Clerk

Motor vehicle tax permits	\$3,032.93
Dog licenses	331.72
	<hr/> \$3,364.65

From Licenses and Permits

Merry-go-round license	\$25.00
Junk licenses	20.00
4 pool table licenses	40.00
G. B. Peavey, Lyric Theatre	156.00
	<hr/> \$241.00

From Fires

G. L. Lucier	\$161.38
Town of New Hampton	6.00
	<hr/> \$167.38

Water Rents

E. W. Sanborn, Supt.	\$2,973.97
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From State of New Hampshire

Bounties	\$62.80
Forest fires	34.12
Insurance tax	36.75
Railroad tax	307.62
Savings bank tax	2,466.54
Bridgewater trunk line maintenance	85.50
Interest and dividend tax	389.85
Trunk line maintenance and reconstruction	3,470.22
	<hr/> \$6,853.40

From Town of Bridgewater	
Trunk line maintenance	\$79.75
From Fines	
Municipal court	\$89.70
Damages to silent policeman	11.65
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	\$101.35
From Rent of Town Hall	
Sons of Veterans	\$35.00
Rent of hall	\$45.66
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	\$80.66
From Scales	
Weighing	\$43.55
Sale of beam	5.00
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	\$48.55
From Refunds	
Ashland Savings Bank, interest returned	\$157.77
Kelly Concrete Co., overpaid	26.00
O. A. Brown, highway bill paid twice	9.28
Berger Culvert Co., discount	1.01
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	\$194.06
Town Notes	
	\$4,800.00
From Rent of Tomb	
E. G. Gammons	\$4.00
Travelers Ins. Co.	
Compensation Herbert Heath	\$9.00
Sale of Enoch Archer Goods	
	\$10.00
Electric Light Department	
See report	\$17,360.88
Total receipts	<hr/> \$90,550.28

DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Year Ending January 31, 1926

Town Officers' Salaries

John H. Blanchard, Selectman	\$250.00
Albert E. Burt, Selectman	250.00
Ross P. Sanborn, Selectman	200.00
Edward P. Colby, Collector	400.00
Edward P. Colby, Supervisor	15.00
Ross P. Sanborn, Supervisor	15.00
Frederick M. Merrow, Supervisor	15.00
Don Simons, Overseer	50.00
Philip E. Gammons, Clerk	100.00
Philip E. Gammons, auto permits	89.50
Charles H. Pattee, Treasurer	100.00
John E. Morrison, Moderator	10.00
E. Forrest Brown, Auditor	5.00
Arthur H. Smith, Auditor	5.00
Ellis G. Gammons, Auditor	5.00
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	\$1,509.50

Town Officers' Expenses

Revaluation of town	
Max Allen	\$207.19
John H. Blanchard	92.00
Albert E. Burt	57.50
Ross P. Sanborn	90.00
Seldon J. Cotton	5.00
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	\$451.69
Printing	181.40
Team hire	12.00
Dog license blanks	10.12
Assessors Association and meeting	25.10
Miscellaneous	219.12
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	\$898.43

Elections and Registrations

Moving booths	\$.75
Ballots	17.50
Ballot clerks	20.00
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	\$38.25

Municipal Court

E. G. Gammons, salary as Justice	\$150.00
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Town Buildings and Clock

Town Hall

Stove pipe	\$27.10
Insurance	40.00
Janitor service and labor	108.45
Cleaning yard	11.42
Supplies	31.78
Wiring	27.02
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	\$245.77

Town Building

Insurance	\$80.00
Coal	190.50
Janitor	100.00
Wiring	3.84
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	\$384.34

Town Clock

John E. Morrison	\$35.00
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Police Department

Carl E. Crowley, balance due from last year	\$75.00
Purvis S. Berry	550.00
Harold Furber	127.00
Wood for lobby	11.00
Traffic Sign & Signal Co.	100.00
Express on silent policeman	7.25
Painting silent policeman	3.00
Frank Pelotte	15.00
Hearn P. Carr	6.25
George E. Dow	156.00
A. E. Lewis	7.00
J. G. Smith	15.00

Gay Robie	5.00
A. G. A. Co. for reflector	50.00
O. A. Brown	.18
Ed Dow case	21.80
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	\$1,149.48

Fire Department

Paid bills approved by fire wards	\$2,471.13
Paid fire alarm bills approved	935.92
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	\$3,407.05

George E. Dow, Hospital Expenses

Dr. L. M. Orton	40.00
Dr. C. J. Monette	200.00
Memorial Hospital	148.05
E. J. Gilbert, nurse	41.00
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	\$429.05

Bounties

Hedgehog bounties paid	\$7.20
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Damages by Dogs

Damage to Joseph Greenwood's hens	\$27.00
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Health Department

C. V. Knowlton, auto hire	\$1.50
Dr. L. M. Orton, vaccinating	51.00
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	\$52.50

Vital Statistics

Dr. A. S. Dolloff, reporting births and deaths	\$3.00
Dr. L. M. Orton, reporting births and deaths	5.25
Philip E. Gammons, recording	11.05
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	\$19.30

Town Library

Paid appropriation	\$400.00
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District Nurse Association

Paid appropriation	\$1,000.00
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Town Poor

Paid expense of Enoch Archer and family \$428.57

Highway Department, See Reports

Trunk line maintenance & reconstruction	\$10,237.49
State aid	546.88
Sidewalks	1,920.14
Town roads	3,916.63
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	\$16,621.14

Memorial Day

Paid appropriation \$120.00

Parks and Playgrounds

Parent Teachers Assoc. on account approp.	\$100.00
Flooding playground	
S. J. Cotton	\$35.50
O. A. Brown	4.11
E. W. Sanborn	13.00
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	\$52.61
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	\$152.61

Town Dump

Paid A. A. Heath, damages \$5.00

Auto Taxes Refunded

Almon A. Cooley \$21.50

Taxes Paid

State tax	\$4,260.00
Grafton County tax	3,700.88
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	\$7,960.88

Schools**Town District**

Paid appropriation	\$1,948.97
Dog licenses	27.80
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	\$1,976.77

Ashland Special School District

Paid balance 1924 approp.	\$1,776.00
Paid 1925 approp.	18,846.66
Dog licenses	205.80
	\$20,328.46
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	\$22,305.23

Interest on Notes

Treasurer's report	\$3,908.11
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Payment on Debt

Treasurer's report	\$15,600.00
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Electric Light Department

See report	\$12,937.76
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Total payments	\$89,813.67
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HIGHWAY REPORTS

Trunk Line Report

Town appropriation	\$4,000.00
Permanent improvement fund	1,622.00
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	\$5,622.00

Paid by town	\$10,237.49
Amount raised by town	5,622.00
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Paid by state to town	\$4,618.49
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	3,329.84

Appropriation exceeded	\$1,285.65
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This year's maintenance and reconstruction cost the sum of \$13,301.22 which was paid as follows: state \$6,393.57 and the town \$6,906.65. The maintenance in Bridgewater at a cost of \$165.25 was paid as follows: state \$85.50, town of Bridgewater \$79.55.

State Aid Maintenance

Town balance	\$292.44
State balance	26.33
Town appropriation	150.00
State appropriation	150.00
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Total	\$618.77
 Expended by state	\$140.38
Expended by town	406.50
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Total expended	\$546.88
Balance	71.89
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	\$618.77
 Town balance	\$35.94
State balance	35.95
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	\$71.89

Concrete Streets and Sidewalks

Balance	\$1,494.90
Appropriation	500.00
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Total	\$1,994.90
 Paid Kelly Concrete Co.	\$1,920.14
Balance	74.76
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Total	\$1,994.90

Addition to Report of Highway Agent

The following bills paid by the Selectmen direct should be added to the report of Rufus Blake, highway agent.

S. J. Cotton, breaking and sanding sidewalks	\$64.25
Burleigh Farm Assoc., tractor, breaking roads	45.00
Byron Smith, on roads	32.46

Leonard Tatham, on roads	32.08
O. A. Brown, supplies	9.28
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	\$183.07

Making a total of \$3,916.13 paid for town roads. The bill of O. A. Brown for supplies amounting to \$9.28 was paid by the Agent and by the Selectmen and was repaid to the town by Mr. Brown.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY AGENT, 1925-26

District No. 1

Rufus Blake and team	\$811.98
Men and teams	1,680.22
Benj. Deane, plank	130.45
Rufus Blaks, posts and rails	8.00
W. B. Brown, supplies	42.44
Berger Mfg. Co., culverts	50.60
J. E. Reed & Son, cement	11.90
O. A. Brown, supplies	9.28
A. Howe, gravel	6.90
George Campbell, gravel	5.00
W. Curtis, gravel	4.00
George Bryant, gravel	2.75
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	\$2,763.52

7 Pines District

Rufus Blake and team	\$45.50
Men and teams	97.00
Byron Smith, gravel	1.50
Rufus Blake, posts and rails	7.00
Benj. Deane, lumber	27.58
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	\$178.58

Calley District

Rufus Blake and team	\$52.00
Men and teams	139.15
Charles Morrill, stringers	1.00
Rufus Blake, posts and rails	25.00

	\$217.15

Leavitt Road

Rufus Blake and team	\$15.00
Men and teams	44.00

	\$59.00

Eastman District

Rufus Blake and team	\$111.25
Men and teams	179.46
Ashland Lumber Co., plank	48.44
Benj. Deane, lumber	10.76

	\$349.91

Sanborn & Brogan District

Rufus Blake and team	\$15.00
Men and teams	86.00

	\$101.00

Lambert District

Men and teams	\$64.00

Less 2% discount on Berger Mfg. Co.	\$8,733.16
Paid by mistake, supplies ordered by Percy	1.01
Lewis and charged to highway Dept.	17.95

RUFUS BALKE,
Highway Agent.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Ashland Town Library

Receipts

Balance on hand	\$140.08
Town appropriation	400.00
Fines	2.60
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Total receipts	\$542.68

Expenditures

Books, including freight	\$329.81
Insurance	31.25
Supplies	7.88
Librarian's salary	100.00
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Total expenditures	\$168.94
Balance	\$73.74

Resources

Number of books at beginning of year	4325
Number of books purchased	177
Federal, state and town documents added	11
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Total number at end of the year	4513

Service

Number of books of fiction lent	6924
Number of books of non-fiction lent	263
Number of new borrowers	18
Total number of active borrowers	160

LULA M. MORRISON,
Treasurer of Ashland Town Library.

ASHLAND WATER WORKS STATEMENT
Feb. 1, 1926

Total water rents for the year	\$3,700.12
To Paid	
Milton Shepard	\$12.00
S. E. Smith	1.50
W. B. Brown	1.50
N. H. Tax	70.20
5 laborers	122.60
E. W. Sanborn, labor and supplies	357.85
Salary of Supt.	150.00
Squam Press	10.50
C. H. Pattee, Town Treas	2,973.97
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	\$3,700.12

EDGAR W. SANBORN,
Supt. Water Works.

REPORT OF ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

Receipts	
Light and power	\$16,917.46
Rent of land and saw mill	340.00
Damages to poles and globes	7.00
Wood and coal sold	33.25
George H. Wahn Co., overpaid	63.17
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Total receipts	\$17,360.88
Payments	
M. T. Shepard, salary as superintendent	\$600.00
Labor and supplies	859.17
Utilities Power Co., current	7,713.64
Construction and line	2,376.60
Insurance	920.98
Globes	191.68
General expenses	275.69
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Total payments	\$12,937.76
Paid to town treasury	4,423.12
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Total	\$17,360.88

REPORT OF THE ASHLAND FIRE DEPARTMENT

Year 1925

Jan. 5, still alarm, John Murray's, Depot St. Chimney fire. No damage.

Jan. 9, still alarm, L. L. Philbrook's, Spring St. Chimney fire. No damage.

Jan. 14, still alarm, Henry Avery's, So. Main St. Chimney fire. No damage.

Jan. 18, still alarm, Karl Gray's, Glove St. Chimney fire. No damage.

Jan. 27, Box 47, Henry Abeare's, Mill St. Chimney fire. No damage.

Jan. 28, still alarm, Leon Robinson's, Pleasant St. Chimney fire. No damage.

Feb. 9, Box 66, Fred Guyotte's, West Main St. Chimney fire. No damage.

Feb. 14, still alarm, L. L. Philbrook's, Spring St. Burning rubbish in cellar. No damage.

Feb. 16, still alarm, Gordon Peavey's, Main St. Chimney fire. No damage.

Feb. 17, still alarm, Mae Straw's, Thompson St. Chimney fire. No damage.

Mar. 12, still alarm, Geo. Lambert's, (outside of town.) Chimney fire. No damage.

Mar. 17, Fire Dep't. not called. A. L. Hodges, No. Ashland. Total loss of house and furnishings. Damage \$10,000.

Mar. 20, still alarm, Chas. Beeman's, Gordon St. Chimney fire. No damage.

April 7, Box 41. Two alarms, forest fire, property of G. L. Lucier, Brown and Brooks, Highland St.

April 26, still alarm, Mrs. E. A. Stowell, Thompson St. Chimney fire. No damage.

April 26, still alarm, Henry Provencher, Glove St. Chimney fire. No damage.

May 3, Box 41, forest fire, along railroad tracks near cemetery.

May 9, still alarm, forest fire, back of cemetery.

June 11, still alarm, Mrs. Ruby Huckins, River St. Chimney fire. No damage.

Sept. 11, Box 68, Mrs. Frank Fifield's, Highland St. Fire in barn. Damage \$1,800.

Sept. 30, Box 41, called to Holderness. Chimney fire, Elwin Bickford's. Damage \$50.

Oct. 12, still alarm, Lorenzo Dion's, Mill St. Chimney fire. No damage.

Oct. 23, still alarm, Gordon house, Depot St. Chimney fire. No damage.

Oct. 31, still alarm, A. Guyotte's, Hill St. Chimney fire. No damage.

Nov. 10, Box 41. Geo. L. Lucier's, Highland St. Total loss of barn. Damage \$5,000.

Nov. 26, still alarm, St. Agnes Church, Hill St. Chimney fire. No damage.

Dec. 7, still alarm, Joseph Morrill, Glove St. Chimney fire. No damage.

Attention is called to the large number of chimney fires that the department was called upon to attend to, twenty in all. In practically every case these were caused by dirty chimneys which should have been cleaned. Chimney fires are always dangerous, not only to the building in which the chimney is, but to adjoining property. It is expensive to the town for the Fire Department to have to clean out chimneys. Property owners should have their chimneys cleaned out at least once a year.

Three new Fire Alarm Boxes have been installed, as follows:

Box 55, Collins St., back of Ross Sanborn's.

Box 76, West Main St., near E. O. & F. J. Sanborn's.

Box 78, Highland St., near A. Kahler's.

The appropriation, made at last town meeting, for the installing of the above boxes, was \$500. It was found necessary to renew the wire, cross arms,

etc., in many places. This extra work is responsible for the money spent by the Supt. of the Fire Alarm, in excess of the original appropriation.

Last year the appropriation for the Fire Dep't. was \$1,700. Of this amount over \$1,600 was spent for the salaries of the firemen, labor shoveling out hydrants, labor at Hose House, forest fires, etc. In order to meet the regular expenses for the coming year, to provide for the upkeep of our apparatus, the buying of new hose, new steam valve for the Fire Alarm at the Paper Mill, and other necessary equipment, an appropriation sufficient to cover these necessary expenses will be required.

Signed,

PERCY R. LEWIS,
GEORGE F. PLUMMER,
FRANK H. CHICK,

Fire Wards of the Town of Ashland.

REPORT OF ASHLAND DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION

Year Ending February 1, 1926

Receipts

Amount brought forward	\$468.12
Nurse collections	135.70
Insurance cases	303.50
Town appropriation	1,000.00
School committee	89.00
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	\$1,996.32

Payments

Nurse	\$1,430.00
Telephone	44.49
Supplies	100.72
Printing	15.95
Charity	30.00
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	\$1,621.16

Balance on hand	375.16

	\$1,996.32
Number of patients	639
Nursing and office visits	1741
School visits	30
Insurance cases	208

TOWN HALL REPORT

Received from George E. Dow, janitor	\$4.00
Received from Frank Woods, janitor	
\$50.91 less \$8.25 paid for wood	41.66

	\$45.66
Sons of Veterans, rent	35.00

Total receipts	\$80.66

Report of the Trust Funds January 1, 1926.

Date of Creation	PURPOSE OF CREATION	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Balance of Income on hand at Beginning of Year	Income during Year	Expenditure during Year	Balance of Income on hand at End of Year
July 8, 1916	Care of cemetery lots Martha A. Cummings	Ashland Savings Bank	\$200.00	4%		\$8.00	\$8.00	
Aug. 28, 1919	Thomas P. Cheney	Ashland Savings Bank	250.00	4%		10.00	10.00	
Nov. 15, 1922	Franella C. Perkins	Ashland Savings Bank	490.86	4%		19.60	19.60	

C. H. PATTEE,
WILLIS F. HARDY,
JAMES F. HUCKINS,
Trustees

REPORT OF ASHLAND MUNICIPAL COURT
For Year Ending January 31, 1926

Complaints	Number	Fines and costs
Violation of liquor laws	2	\$53.00
Violation of motor vehicle laws	6	49.70
Violation of fish & game laws	2	20.20
Stealing	1	Bound over
Bastardy	1	Bound over
Juvenile	1	
Sundry fees, etc., collected		26.00
		<hr/> \$148.90

Paid viz.

Town	\$89.70
Fish & Game Department	14.20
Motor vehicle Department	37.00
Warrants, supplies, etc.	8.00
	<hr/> \$148.90

ELLIS G. GAMMONS, Justice.
Ashland Municipal Court.

REPORT OF AUDITORS

We hereby certify that we have carefully examined the foregoing accounts and have found them correctly cast and properly vouched for.

ELLIS G. GAMMONS,
ARTHUR H. SMITH,
ERVILLE J. BATCHELDER,
Auditors.

Births Registered in the Town of Ashland, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1925

Date of Birth 1925	Name of Child (If any)	Sex, Cond Male, or Female of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Color of Parents	Color of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Jan 4	Horace Arthur Cross	M/L W	Arthur Cross	Helen Gamache	W	Ashland	Lineman	Orford	Ashland
Jan 8	Roger Davis Maccroft	M/L W	S D Maccroft Jr	Emma Cross	W	Ashland	Carder	Ashland	Warren
Feb 10	Raymond J Turcotte	M/L W	Edgar Turcotte	Jeanie Brown	W	Ashland	Auto driver	Canada	Scotland
Feb 18	— Vachon	M/L W	Henry Vachon	Jessie Landrock	W	Ashland	Paper maker	Rochester	Ashland
Mar 11	Henry John Leonard	M/L W	Fred J Leonard	Eva L Heath	W	Ashland	Laborer	Ashland	Bethlehem
Mar 20	Irma Gertrude Cote	F/L W	John Cote	Marjorie Brace	W	Ashland	Farmer	Gorham	Tilton
Apr 8	Theresa Alberta Cote	F/L W	Harry Cote	Rose Riell	W	Ashland	Meat market	New Hampton	Quebec Can
Apr 9	Lester Roland Morrill	M/L W	Joseph Morrill	Marie Merchant	W	Ashland	Spinner	Ottawa Can	Canada
Apr 17	Pauline Erma Smith	F/L W	Edward Smith	Mary Bilodeau	W	Ashland	Weaver	Plymouth	Bradford Vt
Apr 18	Norma Catherine Hinds	F/L W	Clarence Hinds	Clara Murdoch	W	Ashland	Clerk	Center Harbor	Gorham
Apr 25	Donald Alphonse Tanguy	M/L W	Alphonse Tanguy	Grace Gote	W	Ashland	Spinner	St Leon Can	Plymouth
Apr 27	Josephine Emma Dion	F/L W	Lorenzo Dion	Lola Wheeler	W	Ashland	Woolen manuf'r	Fayville Mass	Fayville Mass
May 19	Lucille Wilson Packard	F/L W	Luther W Packard	Pauline L Cox	W	Ashland	Mill perforator	Penhook	Peacham Vt
May 21	Barbara Louise Willoughby	F/L W	Edward Willoughby	Dorothy Murdock	W	Ashland	Spinner	Campion	Canaan
June 3	Virginia Blanchette Cote	F/L W	George T Cote	Helen Harding	W	Ashland	Paper maker	Gorham	Berlin
June 4	Mildred Irene Sutfill	F/L W	Thos H Sutfill	Alice V Cote	W	Ashland	Clerk	Ashland	Warren
June 14	Ethelyn Florence Dicey	F/L W	Arthur R Dicey	Ellen L Cross	W	Ashland	Plumber	Gilmer Ill	Nunda Ill
June 19	Stanley Wardens Potts	M/L W	Henry E Potts	Bernice L Werden	W	Ashland	Carpenter	Holderness	Holderness
June 24	Virginia May Calley	F/L W	Lester Calley	Agnes Rogers	W	Ashland	Carpenter	Natick R I	Ashland
June 28	Mildred Lorraine Bickford	F/L W	Earl Bickford	Edna Burson	W	Ashland	Weaver	Wentworth	Ashland
July 1	Malcolm Edward Hinds	M/L W	Ralph Hinds	Marion Whitcher	W	Ashland	Laborer	Laconia	Canada
July 20	Marie Therese Landrock	F/L W	Mike Landrock	Annie Tanguay	W	Ashland	Laborer	Enfield	Ashland
July 26	Richard Joseph Boynton	M/L W	Elbridge Boynton	Elsie Guyotte	W	Ashland	Laborer	Enfield	Manchester
July 27	Gloria Florence Huckins	F/L W	Floyd Huckins	Hazel Bartlett	W	Ashland	Laborer	New Hampton	Manchester

BIRTHS—Continued

Aug 1	Ruth Alice Knowlton	F L W	4 Harold Knowlton	W Ashland	Chauffeur	New Hampton
Aug 6	Mabel Frances Mack	F L W	8 George W Mack	W Ashland	Woolen worker	Manchester
Aug 12	Edward Dickerson Jr	M L W	2 Wm Dickerson	W Ashland	Laborer	Shelton Vt
Sept 9	Pauline Telfore	F L W	3 Claude Telfore	W Ashland	Laborer	Springsfield N B
Sept 16	Alma May Morse	F L W	4 Harvey Morse	W Ashland	Shipping clerk	Bridgewater
Sept 21	Arlene Mathew Thierault	F L W	5 Patrick Thierault	W Ashland	Cook	Rumney
Sept 27	Shirley Edith Baker	F L W	5 Basil Baker	W Ashland	Clerk	Paquet Vill N B
Oct 6	Ernest Russell MacDon'ld	M L W	1 Grant MacDonald	W Concord	Holderness	W Springfield
Oct 22	Shirley Jane Glidden	F L W	2 Lawson Glidden	Dorothy L Maylon	Way side N B	Laconia
Oct 25	Walter H Brown Jr	M L W	1 Walter H Brown	W Concord	Farmer	Beverly Mass
Nov 3	Paul Anderson Kelley	M L W	1 Lawrence G Kelley	W Ashland	Clerk	Winchester Mass
Nov 4	Jean Blanche Gray	F L W	2 Earl Gray	W Ashland	Operative	Holyoke Mass
Nov 19	Haven Russell Heath	M L W	3 Reginald Heath	W Ashland	Spinner	Ashland
Dec 6	— Jacques	F S W	1 Omar Jacques	Rena Blanche Smith	Mill operative	Plymouth
Dec 8	Francis Ford Silver	M L W	2 Arthur Silver	Ruby Gault	Automobile repair	New Hampton
Dec 31	Virginia Carolyn Micklon	F L W	1 Raymond Micklon	Rose A Dupuis	Paper maker	Pittsfield
				Rachael Richardson	Paper maker	Guildhall Vt
				Eleanor Baker	Paper maker	Holyoke Mass
				[W Ashland]		Holderness

Marriages Registered in the Town of Ashland, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1925

Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence at time of Marriage	Age in years at time of marriage	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation of Parents	Times married	Name, residence and official station of person by whom married
											Each
Apr 16	Laconia	Lester O Cross	Ashland	22	W Mill hand	Warren	Horace H Cross	Piermont Warren	Farmer Housewife	1	Rev R W Rounds Minister
		Ada B Heath	Ashland	29	W Mill hand	Worcester Vt	Ada Libby	Danville Vt	Housewife Laborer	1	Laconia
May 6	Ashland	Elbridge F Boynton	Ashland	24	W Mill operative	Enfield	Flora H Heath	Worcester Vt	Housewife Loom fixer	1	P J McDonough Catholic Priest
		Addie E Guyotte	Ashland	24	W Mill operative	Ashland	Eddie V Boynton	New Hampton Quebec	Deceased Engineer	1	Ashland
May 7	Ashland	Albert E Burt	Ashland	36	W Insurance	Sutton P Q	Mary Nedeau	Quebec Canada	Housewife	W	Rev A N Pierce Clergyman
		Bertha J Hodges	Ashland	25	W At home	Hartley P Q	Eugene Guyotte	Julia Normandin Canada	Farmer	2	Clergyman
May 30	Ashland	Francis H Brock	Ashland	24	W Inspector turbines	Thornton	Almon Burt	Dunham Que	Housewife	1	Ashland
		Louise A Robie	Ashland	25	W Stenographer	Ashland	Ida M Beard	Iron Hill Que	Farmer	1	Ashland
June 25	Laconia	Howard A Small	Ashland	22	W Carpenter	Ashland	Albert L Hodges	Hatley Que	Housewife	1	Rev H G Dockrell Baptist minister
		Mary Elizabeth Dane	Plymouth	19	W Waitress	Holderness	Elvira Woodward	Hatley Que	Housewife	1	Laconia
June 27	Plymouth	Fred Lamonde	Ashland	24	W Chauffeur	Tilton	John C Brock	Hill	Janitor	1	Rev A N Pierce Clergyman
		Josie W Boynton	New Hampton	31	W Operative	New Hampton	Grace E Drew	Thornton	Housewife	1	Ashland
		John M Amsden	Ashland	44	W Auto mechanic	Franklin	Gay Robie	Bridgewater	Paper maker	1	Housewife
		Wilhelmina M West	E Pepperell Mass	37	W Housekeeper	Charlest'n Mass	Jessie Chamberlin	Newbury Vt	Farmer	1	Rev H G Dockrell Baptist minister
July 3	Plymouth	Raymond J G Micklton	Ashland	27	W Paper maker	Holyoke Mass	Chas L Small	Ashand	Housewife	1	Laconia
		Eleanor A Baker	Holderness	22	W At home	Holderness	Susie M Drake	New Hampton	Farmer	1	Rev F J Andrews Clergyman
							Chas Dane	Vermont	Housewife	1	Laconia
							Samuel Lamonde	Concord	Housewife	1	Rev F J Andrews Clergyman
							Mary Fields	Canada	Deceased	1	Plymouth
							Joseph W Boynton	New Hampton	Farmer	1	
							Martha G Harriman	Holderness	Housewife	1	
							Frank Amsden	New York	Deceased	2	
							Sybil S Cook	Stettin Germ'y	Deceased	2	
							H L Schminnederberg	Detroit Mich	Sea captain	2	
							Mary A Gilbert		Deceased	2	
							Ralph Gossolin		Athlete	2	
							Elizabeth Michel		Housewife	2	
							Matthew P Baker		Deceased	2	
							Carolyn Burbank		Housewife	1	
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MARRIAGES—Continued

July 5	New Hampton	Howard L Barrett	Ashland	22 W Machinist	Lisbon	Guy L Barrett	Ashland	Paper maker	1 Rev A N Pierce
		Dorothy E Smith	New Hampton	22 W Pharmacist	Ashland	Deight Lambkin	Guilford Vt	Houswife	1 Clergyman
Aug 25	Ashland	Harry L Gingras	Ashland	30 W Druggist	Ashland	Ernest H Smith	Center Harbor	Paper maker	1 Ashland
		Elizabeth H Breining	Allentown Pa	23 W At home	Allentown Pa	Bertha Lobdell	Syracuse N Y	Houswife	
		Walter H Brown	Ashland	19 W Clerk	Holyoke Mass	George Gingras	Canada	Machinist	1 P J McDonough
Aug 27	Plymouth	Ruth M Currier	Ashland	22 W Teacher	Ashland	Mary Gignac	Canada	Houswife	1 Catholic Priest
		Samuel W Gammons	Ashland	23 W Undertaker	Ashland	Paul E Breining	Allentown Pa	Manuf paint	
Oct 3	Bethlehem	Marguerite Dexter	Bethlehem	24 W Teacher	No Berwick Me	Elizabeth M McGee	St Johns N B	Houswife	1 Ashland
						Walter S Brown	Ashland	Boss fixer	
						Blanche Dionne	Nashua	Deceased	1 Rev F J Andrews
						Fred Currier	Ashland	Paper maker	1 Clergyman
						Mabel Evans	Holderness	Houswife	1 Plymouth
						Ellis G Gammons	Methuen Mass	Undertaker	1 Harry R Pool
						Adele C Ladd	Holderness	Houswife	1 Clergyman
						Arthur J Dexter	Orange Mass	Electrician	1 Littleton
						Annie Stewart	No Berwick Me	Houswife	

Deaths Registered In the Town of Ashland, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1925

Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Sex and Cond'n	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
					Days	Years	Father	Mother
Jan 2	Ashland	Ellen B Wilder	Peterboro	F W S At home	Dublin		Mark Wilder	Eliza Ann Thayer
Jan 4	Ashland	William H Morse	55 7 4	Holderness	Pembroke		Stephen Morse	Lydia J Goodwin
Jan 15	Ashland	Mary A Morrison	55 7 13		Palermo		Abigail Edgerly	
Feb 18	Ashland	John T Suffill	7 10 25	Berlin	F W S	Student	Alice V Cote	
Feb 18	Ashland	Infant Vachon			M W S		Jessie Landrock	
Feb 27	Ashland	Ernest Sequin	26	Ashland	M W S		Mary La Foe	
Mar 1	Ashland	Ella Cummings	74 9 1	Maine	M W S	Laborer	Sybille Mitchell	
Apr 2	Ashland	Hattie L Matthews	65 4 1 E	Bridgewater	F W W	Retired	Samantha Titus	
June 9	Ashland	Joseph C Gingers	1 8 29	Plymouth Vt	F W W	Housewife	Clifford E Gingras	
July 28	Ashland	James B Hughes	73	Windham	M W S		Gertude Sullivan	
July 31	Laconia	Lester G Fifield	46 9 15	Ashland	M W M	Retired	Barrett Hughes	
Sept 23	Ashland	Frank Finnigan	46 6 20	Lowell Mass	M W S	Salesman	Martha Clark	
Nov 8	Ashland	Olive J Craig	83 1	Ctr Harbor	F W M	Housewife	Abigail Cummings	
Nov 10	Ashland	Oliver T Craig	86 10 2	Mass	M W M	Retired	Nancy Allard	
Nov 10	Laconia	Chas Fanning Cox	76 13	Ashland Me	M W M	Foreman	Ann Dilson	
Dec 7	Ashland	Infant Jacques	83 4 26	Ashland	F W S		Pauline R Moore	
Dec 8	Ashland	Marcus M Morey	64 10 10	Lebanon	M W M	Retired	Rose A Dupuis	
Dec 11	Ashland	Jennie M Stevens	64 10 10	Lebanon	F W W	Housewife	Mercy Morey	
Dec 30	Laconia	Frank W Fulcher	68 3	Lowell Mass	M W M	Retired	Wm P Durkee	
							Stewartstown	Louisa M Seavey
								Lucy Craig

PHILIP E. GAMMONS, Town Clerk.

School Report

**REPORT FOR ASHLAND TOWN SCHOOL
DISTRICT, 1924-1925**

Treasurer's Report, 1924-1925

Receipts

State Aid

Equalization fund	\$569.70
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Income From Local Taxation

For support of elementary schools	1,090.71
For secondary tuitions	280.00
For salaries of district officers	110.00
Per capita tax	44.00
Administrations	160.00

From Sources Other Than Taxation

Dog licenses	\$27.80
Elementary school tuitions	108.00
Cash on hand July 1, 1924	522.89
	<hr/> \$2,913.10

Payments

Administration

Salaries of district officers	\$110.00
Supt's. excess salary	150.00
Expenses of administration	2.30

Instruction

Teachers' salaries	850.00
Text books	9.85
School supplies	14.35
Other expenses of instruction	4.13

Operation and Maintenance of School Plant

Janitor's service	13.00
Fuel	19.25
Water, lights and janitor's supplies	12.68
Minor repairs and expenses	10.40

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities

Medical inspection	5.00
Transportation	995.10
Secondary school tuition	280.00
Elementary tuition	281.00

Per Capita Tax

	44.00
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Cash on hand June 30, 1925	\$2,801.11
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	111.99
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	\$2,913.10

HARRIS W. CALLEY, Treasurer.

This is to certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

July 14, 1925.

MADGE PEASE, Auditor.

SCHOOL BOARDS' FINANCIAL STATEMENT

For 1924-1925, Budget for 1925-1926, estimated

Expenditures for 1925-1926 and Recommended Budget for 1926-1927

Receipts, 1924-1925**State Aid**

Equalization fund	\$569.70
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Income From Local Taxation

For elementary schools	1,090.71
For payment of secondary school tuition	280.00

For salaries of district officers	110.00
For per capita tax	44.00
For administration	160.00
From Sources Other Than Taxation	
Dog licenses	27.80
Elementary school tuition	108.00
Cash on hand at the beginning of the school year	522.89
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	\$2,913.10

Payments, 1924-1925

Administration

Salaries of district officers	\$110.00
Supt's. excess salary	150.00
Expenses of administration	2.35

Instruction

Teachers' salaries	850.00
Text books	9.85
Scholars' supplies	14.35
Other expenses of instruction	4.13

Operation and Maintenance of School Plant

Janitor service	13.00
Fuel	19.25
Water, lights and janitor's supplies	12.68
Minor repairs and expenses	10.40

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities

Medical inspection	5.00
Transportation of pupils	995.10
Secondary school tuition	280.00
Elementary school tuition	281.00

Other Charges

Per capita tax	44.00
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	\$2,801.11

Budget, 1925-1926

State Aid

Equalization fund	\$808.55
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Income From Local Taxation

For elementary schools	1,190.97
For payment of secondary school tuition	400.00
For salaries of district officers	110.00
For per capita tax	48.00
For administration	160.00
For repairs	40.00

From Sources Other Than Taxation

Dog licenses	20.00
Elementary school tuition	144.00
Cash on hand at the beginning of the school year	111.99
	 \$3,033.61

**Estimated Recommended
1925-1926 1926-1927**

Income From Local Taxation

For elementary schools	\$1,190.99
For payment of secondary school tuition	250.00
For salaries of district officers	110.00
For administration	160.00
For repairs	50.00

Administration

Salaries of district officers	\$110.00	110.00
Supt's. excess salary	120.00	150.00
Expenses of administration	40.00	40.00

Instruction

Teachers' salaries	1,266.67	1,700.00
Text books	25.00	25.00
Scholars' supplies	45.00	45.00
Flags and appurtenances	5.00	
Other expenses of instruction	10.00	10.00

Operation and Maintenance of School Plant

Janitor service	30.00	30.00
Fuel	50.00	50.00
Water, lights and janitors' supplies	15.00	15.00
Minor repairs and expenses	50.00	50.00

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities

Medical inspection	10.00	10.00
Transportation of pupils	900.00	900.00
Secondary school tuition	100.00	300.00
Elementary school tuition	276.00	276.00
Other special activities	5.00	5.00

Fixed Charges

Insurance	20.00
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Outlay for Construction and Equipment

Alteration of old buildings	75.00	50.00
New Equipment	10.00	

Other Charges

Per capita tax	48.00	60.00
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DISTRIBUTION OF EXPENDITURES**For the Year 1924-1925**

Administration

O. H. Amsden, school board salary	\$20.00
E. J. Batchelder, school board salary	20.00
Nellie J. Calley, school board money	40.00
Harris Calley, treasurer's salary	25.00
Madge Pease, auditor's salary	2.50
Mrs. O. H. Amsden, clerks salary	2.50
Superintendent's salary	150.00
C. M. Harris	2.35

Instruction

Helen Draper, salary	850.00
D. C. Heath & Co.	1.65
American Book Co.	1.11

Silver Burdett & Co.	2.01
MacMillan & Co.	3.20
Ginn & Co.	1.88
O. A. Brown, scholars' supplies	11.35
J. L. Hammett & Co., maps, etc.	4.13

Operation and Maintenance of School Plant

Roger Amsden, janitor's service	13.00
Roger Amsden, fuel	1.25
O. H. Amsden, fuel	18.00
Masury Young Co., floor oil	4.18
O. A. Brown, janitors' supplies	3.50
Roger Amsden, janitor's service	5.00
Mrs. O. H. Amsden, cleaning	5.00
O. H. Amsden, minor repairs	9.40
Curt Eastman, clock repair	1.90

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities

John Ernest, transportation	87.50
Wm. Hodges, transportation	118.00
Harris Calley, transportation	274.00
Mrs. Wm. Brown, transportation	358.00
Clarence Huckins, transportation	157.60
O. A. Brown, treasurer of Ashland Special School District, H. S. tuition	280.00
O. A. Brown, treasurer of Ashland Special School District, elementary tuition	219.00
Plymouth Normal, elementary tuition	62.00
Geo. E. Farrand, state treasurer, per capita tax	44.00

\$2,801.11

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 1925

Number of schools maintained	1
Number of different pupils registered	9
Number of different pupils who remained in the district the entire year	6
Length of the school year in weeks	36
Average number of half days school was actually in session	350
Number of half days lost for holidays and other no school days	10
Number of children promoted during the year	8
Per cent. of attendance during the year	95.44
Number of visits by school board members	4
Number of visits by superintendent	16
Number of visits by citizens	14
Number of tuition students in the elementary schools in the district from elsewhere	3
Number of tuition students from the district in elementary schools elsewhere at different time during the year	11
Number of pupils in the district registered in secondary school during the year	4

SOME FACTS ON THE CURRENT SCHOOL YEAR
1925-1926

Number of schools in session	2
Union, Irma M. McAllister, teacher, total enrollment	12
Calley, Harriet T. Bailey, teacher, total enrollment	11
Number to graduate from the 8th grade	1
Number of tuition pupils in the Union School	3
Number of tuition pupils in the Ashland Special District, elem.	7
Number of tuition pupils in secondary work	1

During the month of August very much needed repairs were made on the Union School house under the direction of Mr. Amsden. The expense of these repairs were shared by the new Hampton School District. A coat of outside paint is needed and the underpinning should be looked after to make the job complete.

In November, 1925, it became advisable to reopen the Calley school. We were fortunate to obtain a trained and experienced teacher. At the present time there are 11 pupils in the school. The number will be a variable quantity, but will be sufficient to warrant the maintenance of a school there for two years presumably. The opening of this school reduced the tuition bill in the Plymouth district, also the cost of transportation. However the opening of the second school is requiring the expenditure of a larger budget than was anticipated and will cause us to suggest somewhat larger appropriations for the year 1926-1927.

Miss McAllister of the Union school attended the Plymouth Normal summer school last summer and will attend the Normal extension school in Coos County in the month of March.

The superintendent wishes to express an appreciation of the cordial manner and the courtesy which has been his to meet thus far in the school year.

We recommend the following sums to be appropriated at the 1926 meeting of the school district.

For the support of elementary schools	\$1,190.99
For the payment of high school and academy tuition	250.00
For the salary of district officers	110.00
For administrations	160.00
For repairs	40.00

Respectfully submitted,

O. H. AMSDEN,
ERVILLE J. BATCHELDER,
NELLIE J. CALLEY,

School Board.

ASHLAND SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Report of the Treasurer of the School Board For the Year Ending June 30, 1925 Receipts

Balance, cash on hand July 1, 1924	\$6,038.99
From State of New Hampshire	
Equalization fund	735.37
From the Selectmen	
\$5.00 on \$1,000 of inventory	8,796.72
High school appropriation	6,000.00
For the salary of district officers	35.00
Administration	600.00
High school medical inspection	35.00
Athletics and physical development	300.00
Repairs and improvements	2,000.00
Per capita tax	556.00
District debt	1,000.00
Interest	120.00
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	\$26,217.08
From Other Sources	
Dog licenses	\$205.80
High school tuitions	1,415.54
Elementary school tuitions	349.00
Supplies sold	113.56
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	\$2,083.90
Total receipts, including cash on hand at the beginning of the year	\$28,300.98

Expenditures

Note paid	\$1,000.00
Interest on notes	120.00
Expense of schools	19,799.05

Supplies bought and sold	113.56
Repairs, including insurance account	6,732.62
Balance, cash on hand June 30, 1925	535.75
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	\$28,300.98

Detailed Statement of Expenditures

Administration

Geo. E. Farrand, state treasurer, superintendent's salary	\$600.00
Mrs. John C. Brock, taking census	10.00
R. E. Lane, census cards	5.34
White Mt. Telephone & Telegraph Co.	26.03
C. M. Harris, incidental expenses	56.91
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	\$698.28

Teachers' salaries

H. C. Maxim	\$2,200.00
John M. Cotton	1,600.00
Alice K. Simons	1,100.00
Helen K. Sherry	1,200.00
Hester E. Bickford	346.50
Marguerite Dexter	1,054.85
Eva A. Darling	950.00
Laura D. Phillips	1,017.50
Ruth Swain	900.00
Blanche Rogers	1,000.00
Gertrude Chamberlain	875.00
Ruth Sterling	750.00
E. Mildred Nichols	51.62
Gertrude L. Middleton	60.00
Grace L. Smith	75.00
Catherine Gordon	88.56
Marguerite Edmonds	60.00
Blanche E. Switser	92.50
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	\$13,421.53

Text Books

Rand McNally Co.	\$86.18
Literary Digest	20.70
R. E. Lane	3.69

American Cookery	1.50
J. B. Lippencott Co.	17.42
E. P. Dutton Co.	1.70
The Bobbs-Merrill Co.	2.75
Benj. H. Sanborn Co.	16.26
D. C. Heath Co.	9.68
World Book Co.	78.89
D. Appleton & Co.	1.58
McMillan Company	73.08
J. L. Hammett Co.	1.27
F. M. Ambrose Co.	4.28
American Viewpoint Co.	8.89
John C. Winton Co.	50.18
D. C. Knowlton Co.	.48
E. E. Babb Co.	54.41
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	6.16
American Book Co.	51.06
Samuel French	9.00
Ryan & Buker	29.10
Oliver Ditson Co.	2.71
White-Smith Music Co.	1.14
Milton Bradley Co.	85.53
Ginn & Co.	18.47
Chas. Scribners Sons	10.96
Hinds, Hayden & Eldridge Co.	4.98
C. H. Congdon	5.60
The Boston Music Co.	.88
	\$658.53

Scholars' Supplies

The Dartmouth Press	\$10.68
W. B. Brown	30.03
O. A. Brown	12.16
Milton Bradley Co.	38.15
J. L. Hammett Co.	280.77
Schorling & Clark	15.00
American Book Co.	33.60
R. M. Whitcomb	6.15
Palmer & Parker Co.	118.28
Ross P. Sanborn	5.25
	\$550.07

Other Expenses of Instruction

Draper-Maynard Co.	\$4.50
Milton Bradley Co.	6.21
E. E. Babb Co.	5.45
Public School Publishing Co.	3.20
Robert A. Foss	30.00
The Record Print	12.75
World Book Co.	49.62
Squam Press	1.75
Hall McCreary Co.	12.50
Eva C. Shepard	1.50
Howard & Brown	11.48
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	\$138.96

Janitor Service

John C. Brock	\$977.00
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Fuel

O. A. Brown	\$2.70
Benjamin Deane	1,135.31
Standard Oil Co.	283.60
W. B. Cass	60.00
Lewis C. Sanborn	6.50
Henry L. Gault	14.00
E. W. Sanborn	143.52
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	\$1,645.63

Light and Janitor Supplies

Dustbane Manufacturing Co.	\$28.42
O. A. Brown	59.35
Electric light	182.45
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	\$270.22

Minor Repairs

O. A. Brown	23.31
G. P. Swayne	1.25
Curt E. Eastman	14.25
Stone & Underhill Heating and Ventilating Co.	1.32
T. C. Shepard	56.00
E. W. Sanborn	46.75
Frank H. Chick	.85

Carey Furniture Co.	60.07
W. B. Brown	5.40
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co.	9.50
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	\$218.70

Medical Inspection

L. M. Orton, M. D.	\$146.00
Ashland District Nurse Association	89.00
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	\$235.00

Transportation

Mrs. Lewis Sanborn	\$165.00
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Other Special Activities

Ashland High School Athletic Association	\$50.00
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New Equipment

Cambridge Botanical Supply Co.	93.19
Palmer & Parker Co.	14.00
Milton Bradley Co.	18.00
T. C. Shepard	202.50
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	\$327.69

Payment on Debt

Minnie L. Smith, note	\$1,000.00
Minnie L. Smith, interest	40.00
Marcena C. Blake, interest	36.00
Hiram J. & Lucy A. Merrill, interest	44.00
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	\$1,120.00

Per Capita Tax

State treasurer	\$556.00
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**Repairs to Buildings (Funds from Fire Insurance
Account and District Appropriation)**

A. T. Ramsdell	\$15.00
Woodstock Lumber Co.	238.77
J. C. Huckins	91.77
Paul Poulin	253.13
Earl Bickford	253.13
Frank S. Huckins	183.13

John C. Brock	154.39
Walter Weaver	44.33
Harris LaPoint	106.17
Elwin Bickford	156.20
Arthur Plummer	84.38
Tom Howe	3.50
H. L. Leavitt	565.56
Milton T. Shepard	609.04
Arthur Johnson	34.50
Y. D. Pharmacy	2 00
W. H. Fogg	100.00
H. W. Fogg	39.00
H. H. Fogg	103.40
E. L. Smith	44.00
Carey Furniture Co.	385.99
Barney Valliant	27.00
Frank H. Chick	8.45
Geo. H. Clark Co.	21.00
Parker-Young Co.	82.53
C. D. Travers	132.17
E. M. Roby	30.94
Carl Mitchell	145.83
Charles Mailhot	411.00
J. G. Smith	143.14
A. F. Burtt Co.	5.50
E. J. Fuller	316.00
F. J. & E. O. Sanborn	40.00
Leon Barney	9.78
Electric light	12.45
J. L. Hammett Co.	75.25
Gammons & Son	47.85
T. C. Shepard	490.40
E. W. Sanborn	290.87
O. A. Brown	715.25
Mrs. John C. Brock	20.00
Max Wiseberg	15.56
Milton Plant	23.22
Benjamin Deane	55.65
Charles A. Eastman	19.32
E. E. Babb Co.	16.07

\$6,732.62

Summary

Administration	\$698.28
Teachers' Salaries	13,421.53
Text books	658.53
Scholars' supplies	550.07
Other expenses of instruction	138.96
Janitor service	977.00
Fuel	1,645.63
Light and janitor supplies	270.22
Minor repairs	218.70
Medical inspection	235.00
Transportation	165.00
Other special activities	50.00
New equipment	327.69
Debt and interest	1,120.00
Per capita tax	556.00
Repairs and improvements	6,732.62

	\$27,765.23

Respectfully submitted,
O. A. BROWN, Treasurer.

We hereby certify that we have carefully examined the foregoing accounts of O. A. Brown, treasurer, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

E. G. GAMMONS,
D. W. CAREY,
Auditors.

To the Citizens of Ashland Special School District:

As stated by the Treasurer, our financial report, herewith published, is for the year which ended June 30, 1925, therefore a large part of the present school year has elapsed since the close of the year covered by this report.

Following a long established custom, the School Report is published with the Town Report. If the Citizens so desire, the report may be published soon after the close of the school year.

In our last report we explained what had been done in the way of repairs and improvements, following the fire in the grade building.

A detailed account of expenditures for these repairs and improvements is given in this report, as the work was done during the year herein covered.

The concrete around the buildings and leading to School St., was re-covered during the summer. The plaster ceiling in the 8th grade room at the High School was so badly damaged that it was necessary to replace it.

This was done with steel ceiling and new lights were installed in this room. Safety locking devices have been placed on the main exit doors of both buildings, whereby the doors can never be locked from the inside and can always be opened from the inside by pressure against a bar. These were required by State law.

A few months before the close of the last school year, Supt. C. M. Harris, who had been with us for nearly seven years, tendered his resignation, that he might accept a position in Massachusetts. The resignation was accepted by your board, acting jointly with the boards of the other districts comprising this supervisory union. There were many applicants for the position of Superintendent, and after much consideration, Mr. Guy F. Williams of North Anson, Maine, was elected to the position. Mr. Williams promptly took up the work of supervision and is doing excellent work for us.

The question of fuel is a serious one. It was impossible to get Anthracite coal and the burning of Bituminous through two or three winters had seriously damaged the High School building, so that it was a problem as how best to heat that building. Your board finally decided to install oil burning equipment there, which was done and the building is being well heated by this method. A close comparison of the cost of heating with coal and with oil, is being made but we will be unable to determine which is the more economical until the heating season is over.

As required by law, we herewith submit estimates for payments of the District debt:

Notes payable, \$1,000. Interest, \$10.00. This is the last payment for the High School building and is all the District owes.

We wish to thank the Citizens of Ashland Special School District for their interest in and generous support of our schools.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD P. COLBY,

ARTHUR H. SMITH,

BERT A. MARTIN,

ORA A. BROWN,

School Board.

THE SCHOOL BOARDS' FINANCIAL STATEMENT
For 1924-1925

Budget of Revenue and Expenditures for 1925-1926
and Estimated Budget for 1926-1927

Receipts, 1924-1925

State Aid

Equalization fund	\$735.37
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From Local Taxation

For elementary schools	8,693.72
For high school	6,000.00
For salaries of district officers	35.00
For principal on debt	1,000.00
For interest on debt	120.00
Per capita tax	556.00
Administration	600.00
Medical inspection, H. S.	35.00
Repairs	2,000.00
Physical development	300.00

From Sources Other Than Taxation

Dog licenses	205.80
Elementary school tuition	349.00
High school tuition	1,415.54
Sale of property	113.56
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	\$28,300.98

Payments, 1924-1925

Administration

Superintendent's excess salary	\$600.00
Truant officer and census	15.34
Expenses of administration	82.94

Instruction

Teachers' salaries	13,421.53
Text books	658.53

School supplies	550.07
Other expenses of instruction	138.96
Operation and Maintenance of School Plants	
Janitor service	977.00
Fuel	1,645.63
Water, lights and janitor's supplies	270.22
Minor repairs and expenses	218.70
Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities	
Medical inspection and health supervision	235.00
Transportation of pupils	165.00
Other special activities	50.00
Outlay for Construction and Equipment	
New equipment	327.69
Debts, Interest and Other Charges	
Principal on debt	1,000.00
Interest on debt	120.00
Per capita tax	556.00
Repairs and improvements	6,732.62
Cash on hand June 30, 1925	\$27,765.23
	535.75
	\$28,300.98

Budget, 1925-1926

State Aid	
Equalization fund	\$1,362.54
From Local Taxation	
For elementary schools	9,252.66
For high school	6,000.00
For salaries of district officers	35.00
For principal on debt	1,000.00
For interest on debt	80.00
Per capita tax	544.00
Administration	600.00
Medical inspection, H. S.	35.00

Repairs	500.00
Physical development	300.00

From Sources Other Than Taxation

Dog licenses	150.00
Elementary school tuition	600.00
High school tuition	1,019.72
Cash on hand July 1, 1925	535.75
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	\$22,014.67

Estimated Expenditures
1925-1926 Estimated Budget
 1926-1927

From Local Taxation

For elementary schools	\$9,252.66
For high school	6,000.00
For salaries of district officers	35.00
Per capita tax	544.00
Administration	600.00
Medical inspection, H. S.	35.00
Repairs	500.00
Physical development	300.00

Administration

Superintendent's excess salary	480.00	600.00
Truant officer and census	35.00	35.00
Expenses of administration	120.00	120.00

Instruction

Teachers' salaries	13,900.00	14,000.00
Text books	700.00	600.00
School supplies	700.00	700.00
Other expenses of instruction	150.00	150.00

Operation and Maintenance of School Plants

Janitor service	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fuel	1,800.00	1,800.00
Water, lights and janitors' supplies	300.00	300.00
Minor repairs and expenses	300.00	200.00

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities

Medical inspection and health supervision	235.00	235.00
Transportation of pupils	180.00	180.00
Other special activities	100.00	100.00

Outlay for Construction and Equipment

New equipment	100.00	200.00
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Debts, Interest and Other Charges

Principal on debt	1,000.00	
Interest on debt	10.00	
Per capita tax	544.00	544.00
Repairs and improvements	500.00	500.00
		\$21,954.00

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Summary of the Statistical Report Made to the State Board of Education in July, 1925, for the School Year 1924-1925

Number of different pupils registered in school	318
Number who remained in the district for the entire year	296
Length of the school year in weeks	36
Average number of half days schools were actually in session	353.25
Average number of half days lost for holidays and other no school days	6.75
- Number of pupils promoted to the next grade during the year	255
Number of pupils not promoted to the next grade during the year	25
Number of pupils who left school presumably to end their school life	11
Per cent. of attendance for the entire school system	95.07

Number of non-resident pupils in the elementary schools	21
Number of non-resident pupils in the high school	21
Number of visits made to the schools by school board members	8
Number of visits made to the schools by citizens	112
Number of visits made to the schools by the superintendent	362
Number of meetings held by the school board	15

Graduates from the High School in June, 1925

Walter Brown, Frederick Brown, Elizabeth Brown, Ruth Bump, Dorothy Crimmins, Dorothy Fifield, Natalie Gingras, Hilda Marden, Elizabeth Platt, Hazel Thompson, Irma McAllister and Lena Young.

Out of this class, ten are pursuing further training for their life work.

Some Facts Regarding the Work of the Current Year

Schools opened September 14 with the following enrollment:

First grade 39, Gertrude Chamberlain, teacher
 Second grade 28, Blanche Rogers, teacher
 Third grade 27, Ruth Swain, teacher
 Fourth grade 24, Cecila Barrett, teacher
 Fifth grade 24, Elsie Melhorne, teacher
 Sixth grade 26, Eva Darling, teacher, and principal
 of the elementary building
 Seventh grade 29, Marguerite Dickson in charge of
 the home room
 Eighth grade 32, Sydney S. Ayers in charge of the
 home room
 Ninth grade 22
 Tenth grade 16
 Eleventh grade 18
 Twelfth grade 13
 Totals, elementary building 168, high school building
 130, grand total 298

Other teachers in the high school building are:

John M. Cotton, Headmaster; Alice K. Simons, Euterpe Boukis and Mae Harris. And at the middle of the school year Marguerite Gammons began work as a special helping teacher.

There are 19 tuition pupils in the elementary schools and 13 tuition pupils in the high school.

Of the 13 teachers, 10 are Normal School graduates and 3 are college graduates.

The high school has been inspected and approved by the State Board of Education for the current year.

The superintendent appreciates the cordial manner and courtesy in which he has been received into the school work.

Sufficient application of the standard tests has been made to determine whether the schools as a whole and the pupils as individuals measure up to the standards accepted by the state as a whole. Some of the standard tests applied are:

Otis Group Intelligence tests in grades 1 to 12.

Wilson Language Error test in grades 7 to 12.

McCall's Multi-Mental test in grades 4 to 8 and 11.

Ayers and Buckingham and Steven's Spelling Scales, grades 7 to 12.

Woody Arithmetic Scales, grades 9 to 12.

Stone's Reasoning test, grades 5 to 8.

Haggerty Reading test, grades 1 and 2.

Pressey-Richards' American History test, grades 7, 8 and 12.

Rich's Chemistry test, grades 10, 11 and 12.

Herman's Latin and French tests, grades 9 and 10.

Monroe's Silent Reading test, grades 3 to 12.

A special teacher has been placed in the high school building to work with individuals and with groups of students who need special attention and help to rise to accepted standards for promotion in June.

The elementary teachers are asked to follow the State Program of studies as a minimum requirement. And the teachers of grades 7 to 12 follow a special program of studies prepared for this school district and approved by the State Board of Education. This program of studies is based on the suggestive State Program for those grades.

Much appreciation should be expressed for the helpfulness of the Parent-Teacher Association to the school system of Ashland. Besides cooperating in every way with the regular work of the schools, it has done much to help in the physical and recreational life of the pupils in town; by means of its programs, much inspiration has been brought to the teachers and town's people; and during the winter months it has financed milk lunches at recess time and a hot dish of some nourishing food at noon time for those pupils whose weight is under normal or whose general health warrants special attention.

The work of the district nurse, Miss McDerby, and the school physician, Dr. L. M. Orton, has been very helpful and beneficial. Both have manifested a fine spirit of interest and cooperation.

In closing, the superintendent wishes to extend thanks to the members of the school board for their many acts of helpfulness and thoughtfulness during the year; to the town's people for their fine spirit of cooperation and interest in the school; and to the teachers for their spirit of loyalty and earnestness; and to the pupils for their spirit of reverence and courtesy.

Respectfully,

GUY F. WILLIAMS,
Superintendent.

